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SUBJECT: MTN: JAPANESE PAPER ON DRAFT WORKING HYPOTHESIS

QUOTED BELOW IS A PAPER GIVEN TO US DEL ON DECEMBER 20 BY JAPANESE WHICH REFLECTS TOKYO'S VIEWS ON THE US/EC DRAFT WORKING HYPOTHESIS. HIGHLIGHTS OF DISCUSSION WHICH FOLLOWED ARE BEING TRANSMITTED IN SEPTEL. BEGIN TEXT:

TALKING PAPER
GROUP "TARIFFS" (JAPAN)

1. (1) JAPAN IS OF THE VIEW THAT AT LEAST ALL THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD SUBMIT OFFERS BY THE TARGET DATE OF JANUARY 15, 1978 (AT LEAST THE U.S., EC AND JAPAN SHOULD DO SO ON THE SAME DATE), AND THAT IT WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPROPRIATE TO REACH AN UNDERSTANDING ON THE NECESSARY GUIDELINE IN ORDER TO ENSURE SUCH A JOINT ACTION.

(2) IF, HOWEVER, WE TRY TO DISCUSS AND DECIDE ALL TECHNICAL MATTERS IN DETAIL AS DOES THE U.S. PAPER, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO COORDINATE THE POSITIONS OF OFFER-MAKING COUNTRIES IN TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFERS BY THE

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TARGET DATE.

(3) WE, THEREFORE, ARE OF THE VIEW THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO DRAFT A NOTE (FOR EXAMPLE: A NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT OR A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE MAJOR PARTICIPANTS), WHICH SIMPLY OUTLINES THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF A GUIDELINE.

2. THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS SHOULD, IN OUR VIEW, BE INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED GUIDELINE AS UNDERSTANDINGS ON THE WORKING HYPOTHESIS;

(A) JANUARY 15, 1978 AS THE TARGET DATE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF OFFERS;

(B) THE PROFILE OF A WORKING HYPOTHESIS; THE WORKING HYPOTHESIS PROPOSED BY SWITZERLAND; THE PARAMETER MAY BE LEFT TO EACH COUNTRY.

(C) THE DEPTH OF REDUCTION; THE FINAL WEIGHTED AVERAGE REDUCTION OF 40 PERCENT.

(D) PERIOD OF IMPLEMENTATION; THE TARIFF REDUCTION SHOULD NORMALLY BE STAGED IN THE PERIOD NO LONGER THAN EIGHT YEARS.

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(BEGIN BRACKET) IN ADDITION;

(E) BASE RATE AND BASE DATE

(A) BASE RATE; THE GATT-BOUND RATE FOR BOUND ITEMS. BASE RATE FOR UNBOUND ITEMS MAY BE LEFT TO EACH COUNTRY.

(B) BASE DATE; MAY BE LEFT TO EACH COUNTRY.

(F) EXCEPTIONS SHOULD BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM.

(G) DEEPER THAN FORMULA CUT; EACH COUNTRY MAY AS NECESSARY REDUCE TARIFFS TO A GREATER EXTENT THAN WOULD RESULT FROM THE APPLICATION OF THE WORKING HYPOTHESIS (END BRACKET).
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